

James M. Reed collection

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Summary Information

Repository	Rare Books and Manuscripts
Title	James M. Reeder collection
Date	1850-1859
Extent	0.01 Cubic feet 1 folder
Language	English
Text [Folder]	S1102

Preferred Citation

James M. Reeder collection, Rare Books and Manuscripts, Indiana State Library

Biographical Note

James M. Reeder was born about 1805 in Ohio. He received a land grant for property in Winamac, Indiana, on April 10, 1849. The 40 acres land grant had the proxy signature of President Zachary Taylor.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains information relating to the Wabash and Erie Canal. There are three receipts from 1850 giving various amounts for work on the Canal. A letter from J. L. Williams, dated December 23, 1856, sums up the repair expenses for the year. Two hand-written sheets list property belonging to the trust on District No. 5, Wabash and Erie Canal, dated January 1, 1859. Some of the items listed are shovels, nails, crow bar, picks, wooden buckets, and wheel barrows. There are notations as to where the things were left, such as Covington, Montezuma, and Coal Creek. This hand-written list has also been typed on two pages. The total value is \$820.95. There is a typed letter, dated February 19, 1851, from Thomas Dowling, Trustee, enclosing two orders of the Board of Trustees to "create uniformity in the repair service and to avoid the multiplication of small accounts."

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Rare Books and Manuscripts

Conditions Governing Access

This collection is open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

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Custodial History

This collection was received by Rare Books and Manuscripts as a records transfer from the Fairbanks Memorial Library on 1939/06/29.

Accruals

No further additions are expected.

Processing Information

Collection processing and finding aid completed 2015/01/29 by Nikki Stoddard Schofield.

Related Materials

Related Archival Material

Materials relating to this collection may be found in the following collections in Rare Books and Manuscripts, Indiana State Library, Indianapolis, IN:

OB2, Folder 3: James M. Reeder land grant collection

B119: Land grants collection, 1837-1849

Controlled Access Headings

Geographic Name(s)

- Wabash and Erie Canal (Ind.)

Personal Name(s)

- Dowling, Thomas, 1806-1876
- Reeder, James M.
- Williams, J. C.

Subject(s)

- Canal construction workers
- Correspondence
- Receipts